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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were previously filed, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner two Japanese Office Actions dated February 7, 2006 and February 20, 2007, respectively, with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-576611, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Deborah Russell et al., "Computer Security Basics", dated December 1, 1994, pages 142-143;
- (2) Japanese Patent Publication No. HEI 10-326256 A;
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 6-103076 A;
- (4) Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-523816, which is based on PCT/IB99/01452 (published as WO00/10303);
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 4-245368 A;

(6) IBM, "Dispersion Computing Environment", GC88-6493-00, dated January 31, 1997, pages 63-68;

(7) Tatsuaki Okamoto et al., "The Modern Code", June 30, 1997, dated June 30, 1997, pages 151-156.


The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Japanese claims by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the English Translation of the Japanese Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign and international documents and English language Abstracts of documents (2), (3) and (5) and an English language Abstract of WO00/10303 for document (4) are attached hereto, and are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Japanese Decision and Office Action of Refusal are also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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